IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

09/660,563 Application No.: Examiner: Lesniewski, Victor D. Filed: September, 12, 2000 Group/Art 2153 Inventor: Unit: Gregory L. Slaughter, et al. Atty. Dkt. No: 5181-64900 P4980 Title: Mechanism and Apparatus for Accessing and Addressing Services in a **Distributed Computing** Environment

<u>PETITION FOR REVIVAL OF AN APPLICATION FOR PATENT ABANDONED UNINTENTIONALLY UNDER 37 C.F.R. 1.137(b)</u>

Attention: Office of Petitions

Assistant Commissioner for Patents

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Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

The above-identified application became abandoned for failure to file a timely and proper reply to a notice of action by the United States Patent and Trademark Office. The date of abandonment is the day after the expiration date of the period set for reply in the office notice or action plus extensions of time actually obtained. In the present application, a new ground of rejection was asserted by the Board of Patent Appeals and Interferences in the Decision on Appeal decided September 10, 2009. Either a request to reopen prosecution with appropriate amendment or a request for rehearing was required. Applicants hereby petition for revival of this application as unintentionally abandoned.

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1. The Petition fee of \$1,620.00 per 37 CFR 1.17(m) is paid herewith.

2. The required reply to the above-noted action is filed herewith in the form of a

request to reopen prosecution and an amendment addressing the new ground of rejection

raised in the Decision on Appeal.

3. No terminal disclaimer is required since this utility application was filed after

June 8, 1995.

4. STATEMENT: The entire delay in filing the required reply from the due date for

the required reply until the filing of a grantable petition under 37 C.F.R. 1.137(b) was

unintentional.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge the Petition fee in the amount

of \$1,620.00 and any other fee that may be due to Meyertons, Hood, Kivlin, Kowert &

Goetzel, P.C. Deposit Account No. 501505\5181-64900\RCK.

Respectfully submitted,

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